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Docket No.: 99-1259

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMMUNICATING STATE INFORMATION USING VERTICAL BLANKING INTERVAL

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<u>X</u>	2. 3 sheet(s) of drawing(s) (X formal / informal) comprising Figures 1 through 5.								
_X	3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (X signed unsigned).								
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